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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station, 2nd Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Notice of Inquiry on Provision of Default Service, D.T.E. 02-40

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing please find the Attorney General's Comments and Joint Statement on Guiding Principles together with a Certificate of Service.

Very truly yours,

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